



# Game Solutions: Graphics and Events

**Session 511**





# Game Solutions: Graphics and Events

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# Introduction

- Unique aspects of Mac OS X game development
- Un(der)documented areas
- Tips and tricks
- Concepts new to Mac OS 9 developers



# What You Will Learn

- **CGDirectDisplay** changes
- Full screen debugging techniques
- Carbon controls over OpenGL
- QuickTime and OpenGL
- OpenGL Buffer Ops
- Event loops and timers



# CGDirectDisplay

## What is new?

- Additional display mode dictionary flags
  - **kCGDisplayModelsStretched**
- Mirroring
- Display configuration
- Capture all displays
- Fading to and from a solid color



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Typical scenario

- You have captured the screen and faded to black
- You are supposed to fade back in, but you do not
- What do you do?
- How do you tell what went wrong?



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Options

- **printf** and other logging
- **DrawSprocket** debug mode
- Remote debugging



# Fullscreen Debugging

## **printf and other logging**

- Good for post-mortem debugging
- Requires that you modify your code
- Allows for a “binary search” strategy
- Not terribly efficient





# Fullscreen Debugging

## DrawSprocket debug mode

- Great if you are using **DrawSprocket**
- Does not show blanking window
- Does not do complete fades
- Works on Mac OS 9 or X



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Enabling DrawSprocket debug mode

- Two ways to turn it on
  - Call **DSpSetDebugMode( true );**
  - Create a folder called “**DSpSetDebugMode**”
- Must enable before activating your context
- Must use the debug build of DrawSprocket



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Remote debugging

- Uses the power of Mac OS X
- Requires a second machine
- Requires **ssh** and **gdb**
- Does not provide an IDE
- Does allow for source-level debugging



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Getting help in gdb

- **help**
- **help commandClassName**
  - Lists **gdb** commands in that class
  - Examples: breakpoints, stack, etc.
- **help commandName**
  - Gives full documentation for the command



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Getting started in gdb

- **attach pid**
- **file pathToAppToDebug**
  - Watch out for bundled apps
  - **AppDir/Contents/MacOS/AppToDebug**
- **run**



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Controlling execution in gdb

- **step**—execute one line (step-into)
- **next**—execute one line (step-over)
- **finish**—finish stack frame (step-out)
- **continue**—continue execution (go)



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Setting breakpoints in gdb

- **b** **file:lineNumber** or **functionName**
- **fb** **file:lineNumber** or **functionName**
- **b**—by itself sets breakpoint at PC
- **clear** **addressOfBreakpoint**
- **delete** **breakpointNumber**
- **info** **breakpoints**



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Getting info once you have stopped

- **bt**—stack backtrace
- **info locals**—locals from the current stack frame
- **info variables**—all globals and statics
- **whatis *variableName***—shows type
- **list**—shows source around PC
- **info source**—current source file info





# Fullscreen Debugging

## Displaying variables and memory in gdb

- **x/fmt address** Or **variableName**
  - Repeat count
  - (o)ctal, (e)(x), (d)ecimal, (f)loat, (u)nsigned decimal, (c)har, (s)tring
  - (b)yte, (h)alfword, (w)ord, (g)giant
  - **x/f floatVariableName**
- **set variableName=newValue**
- **po objectiveCObjectRef**—calls description on object



# Fullscreen Debugging

## Calling functions in gdb

- **call (returnType)functionName( args )**
- **call (void)CFShow( CTypeRef )**
- Extremely useful for custom diagnostics
  - **call (void)dumpMyInternalState(foo)**
- Watch out for side effects





# Demo

**Fullscreen Debugging**

# Controls Over OpenGL

## Possible solutions

1. Implement your own controls
2. Place controls in a higher window
3. Place controls in an overlay window
4. Surface ordering



# Controls Over OpenGL

## 1. Implement your own controls

- Pros
  - Precise control over drawing
  - Place onscreen with OpenGL
- Cons
  - Hard to mimic Aqua UE
  - Have to draw everything yourself



# Controls Over OpenGL

## 2. Place controls in a higher window

- Pros
  - Do not have to draw controls
  - Do not have to handle interaction
- Cons
  - Blocks out rectangular area
  - Multiple windows to manage



# Controls Over OpenGL

## 3. Place controls in an overlay window

- Pros
  - OS handles controls
  - OpenGL content shows through
- Cons
  - Speed penalty with software compositor
  - Multiple windows to manage



# Controls Over OpenGL

## 4. Surface ordering

- Pros
  - Works with both Cocoa and Carbon
  - OpenGL content shows through
- Cons
  - Speed penalty with software compositor
  - Requires Jaguar





# Controls Over OpenGL

## Overlay window steps

- Create the overlay window
- Create the window group
- Add main and overlay windows to the group
- Install your controls
- Install Carbon Event handlers
  - Handle control or command events



# Controls Over OpenGL

- Create the overlay window

```
OSStatus status = CreateNewWindow (  
    kOverlayWindowClass,  
    kWindowNoAttributes,  
    &wRect,  
    &overlayWindowRef );
```



# Controls Over OpenGL

- Create the window group

```
status = CreateWindowGroup (  
    0, /* no group attributes */  
    &windowGroupRef );
```

```
status = SetWindowGroupParent (  
    windowGroupRef,  
    GetWindowGroupOfClass(  
        kDocumentWindowClass );
```



# Controls Over OpenGL

- Add windows to the group

```
status = SetWindowGroup (  
        openGLWindowRef,  
        windowGroupRef );
```

```
status = SetWindowGroup (  
        overlayWindowRef,  
        windowGroupRef );
```



# Controls Over OpenGL

- Set window group attributes

```
status = ChangeWindowGroupAttributes (  
    windowGroupRef,  
    kWindowGroupAttrMoveTogether |  
    kWindowGroupAttrLayerTogether |  
    kWindowGroupAttrHideOnCollapse,  
    0 /* don't clear any attributes */ );
```





# Demo

**Controls Over OpenGL**

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- Event loops and timers
- QuickTime and OpenGL
- OpenGL Buffer Ops



# Events and Timers

## Carbon Events

- **RunApplicationEventLoop()**
  - Entry to Carbon Events
- **QuitApplicationEventLoop()**
  - Exits **RunApplicationEventLoop**
  - Called from your 'quit' handler
- **WaitNextEvent()**
  - WNE is dead, Use Carbon Events
  - WNE is just a shim layer on top of Carbon Events





# Events and Timers

## Carbon Events

- Event Levels
  - Application
    - Use for application-wide events
    - Highest level possible
  - Window
    - Use if you want to constrain events to a window
      - Especially important for mouse events
  - Menu
    - Must use if using standard menus
  - Control
    - Install a handler on a control directly



# Events and Timers

## Carbon Events

- Event Classes
  - Mouse
    - Button clicks
    - Motion
    - Motion deltas
  - Keyboard
    - Key up and down
    - Modifiers
  - Window
    - Activation and deactivation
    - Show and hide
  - Menu
    - Selection of menu items



# Events and Timers

## Handling Carbon Events

- Events and event lists

**GetEventTypeCount(appEventList),**

```
static const EventTypeSpec appEventList[] = {  
    {kEventClassCommand, kEventCommandProcess},  
    {kEventClassMouse, kEventMouseDown},  
    {kEventClassMouse, kEventMouseUp},  
    {kEventClassMouse, kEventMouseMoved},  
    {kEventClassMouse, kEventMouseDragged},  
    {kEventClassMouse, kEventMouseWheelMoved}  
};
```



# Events and Timers

## Handling Carbon Events

- Sample event information

**{kEventClassCommand, kEventCommandProcess},**

- Command processes
- Quit, OK, Cancel, Undo, Redo, etc.

**{kEventClassMouse, kEventMouseDown},**

- Sent when a mouse button is pressed
- Where, which button, etc.

**{kEventClassMouse, kEventMouseMoved},**

- Sent when the mouse moves
- Deltas, end point, etc.



# Events and Timers

## Handling Carbon Events

- Installing Standard Event Handlers

// Default handler for the primary window of the app

```
InstallStandardEventHandler(  
    GetWindowEventTarget(pMainWindow));
```

// Default handler for application-level events

```
InstallStandardEventHandler(  
    GetApplicationEventTarget());
```

// Default handler for the standard menu

```
InstallStandardEventHandler(  
    GetMenuEventTarget(theMenu));
```



# Events and Timers

## Handling Carbon Events

- Installing Event Handlers

// Register our UPP and the callback

```
appCommandProcessor = NewEventHandlerUPP(  
    MainAppEventHandler);
```

// Install the handler for the application

```
err = InstallApplicationEventHandler(  
    appCommandProcessor,           // Callback routine  
    GetEventTypeCount(appEventList), // Event Count  
    appEventList,                 // Event list  
    0,                             // User data  
    NULL);                         // EventHandlerRef
```



# Events and Timers

## Carbon Timers

- Timer Uses
  - Control of rendering loops
  - Handling application (game) events
  - Time-based events



# Events and Timers

- Installation of Timers

```
// TimerRef to keep track of our timer
EventLoopTimerRef snapshotTimer;
// Timer universal proc pointer
EventLoopTimerUPP snapshotTimerUPP;
// The function prototype for the callback the timer will use
pascal void SnapshotTimedEventProcessor(
    EventLoopTimerRef inTimer,
    void* timeData);
```





# Events and Timers

- Installation of Timers

```
// Set the timer UPP to point to our callback
snapshotTimerUPP =
NewEventLoopTimerUPP(SnapshotTimedEventProcessor);
// Install the timer
InstallEventLoopTimer(
    GetCurrentEventLoop(),           // Where
    0,                               // Start delay
    kEventDurationMillisecond * seqTimeInt, // Interval
    snapshotTimerUPP,             // Timer UPP
    NULL,                           // User Data
    &snapshotTimer);                // TimerRef
```



# Events and Timers

- Removal of Timers

**// First remove the timer itself**

**RemoveEventLoopTimer(snapshotTimer);**

**// Clear the timer UPP**

**DisposeEventLoopTimerUPP(snapshotTimerUPP);**

**// Clear the pointers - optional but good practice**

**snapshotTimer = NULL;**

**snapshotTimerUPP = NULL;**



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## Getting QuickTime data out of OpenGL

- QuickTime snapshots
- QuickTime snapshot sequences
- QuickTime movies from OpenGL



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## QuickTime Snapshots

- Uses data from an OpenGL context to generate an image file
- Single function creates a single image file
- File type/format is arbitrary
- Let QuickTime do the work for you!



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## QuickTime Snapshots

- Methodology
  - **glReadPixels()** to get image data
  - New **GWorld** created with that data
  - Set up QuickTime to create an image file with that data
  - Export the data to a file



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## Reading pixels out of OpenGL

```
// Default behavior, but set here for clarity
glReadBuffer(GL_BACK);

// Tell OpenGL to send the contents of the back
// buffer
glReadPixels(0,0,640,480,           // Size
             GL_BGRA,              // Format
             GL_UNSIGNED_INT_8_8_8_8_REV, // Type
             dataBuffer);          // Storage

// IMPORTANT: This method swizzles the image to
// the correct orientation
InvertGLImage(dataBuffer, imgSize, 640 * 4);
```



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## Creating a new GWorld

// Create a new GWorld with that OpenGL data

// Be sure to use NewGWorldFromPtr() to get correct row bytes

```
error = NewGWorldFromPtr(  
    &img, // Destination GWorld  
    k32ARGBPixelFormat, // Pixel format  
    &glw->winRect, // Bounding Rectangle  
    0, // Color table  
    0, // GDevice  
    0, // Flags  
    dataBuffer, // Input data  
    640*4); // Row bytes
```

// Here we would create an FSSpec for our image file (code omitted)



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## Setting up QuickTime

```
// NOTE: QuickTimeComponents.h for OSFileType definitions  
// Get the default component for exporter and file type used
```

```
err = OpenADefaultComponent(  
    GraphicsExporterComponentType,  
    osFileType,  
    &geComp);
```

```
// Set the input GWorld to the GWorld we created  
cErr = GraphicsExportSetInputGWorld(geComp, img);
```

```
// Set the output file to the FSSpec we created previously  
cErr = GraphicsExportSetOutputFile(geComp, &imgFile);
```





# QuickTime and OpenGL

## Setting up QuickTime

```
// Set our compression quality if needed
    cErr = GraphicsExportSetCompressionQuality(geComp,
    codecLosslessQuality);
// Export the data
    cErr = GraphicsExportDoExport(geComp, NULL);
// Close the component
    if (geComp != NULL)
        CloseComponent(geComp);
```



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## QuickTime Snapshot Sequence

- Extrapolates on the previous snapshot function
  - Uses the same function call
- Creates multiple images
- File type/format again is arbitrary
- Uses timers to generate the sequence



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## QuickTime Snapshot Sequence

```
if(seqFrameCount > 0)
{
    windowSnapshot(&mainWindow);
    seqFrameCount--;
}
else
{
    // Stop the timer from firing here
}
```



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## QuickTime Movies

- Captures image data from OpenGL at a specified rate
- Image data is processed asynchronously
- Creates a QuickTime movie file



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## QuickTime Movies

- Methodology
  - **glReadPixels()** used to grab the back buffer and pull the contents into main memory
  - That data buffer is then placed in a buffer array for processing
  - Separate thread asynchronously processes the buffer array for use in QuickTime
  - QuickTime is then called on to build a movie with the frames in that array



# QuickTime and OpenGL

## QuickTime Movies

- Important caveats
  - Images need to be swizzled for correct orientation
  - Processing the image data from OpenGL needs to be done asynchronously
    - Performance will suffer otherwise
  - Arbitrary movie sizes will require more complicated array and buffer sizing
    - Frame size and frame rate will affect how much memory should be reserved
    - Dynamic allocation possible but more complex still





# Demo

**QuickTime and OpenGL**

# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## Using OpenGL's Buffers

- OpenGL buffer basics
- Auxiliary buffers (AUX buffers)
- Render to texture





# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## OpenGL Buffers

- **GL\_FRONT** and **GL\_BACK**
  - Leave the front buffer alone
  - Always read/draw to the back buffer
  - You do not, under any circumstance, ever need direct access to the buffers
- **GL\_DEPTH, GL\_ACCUM, GL\_STENCIL**
  - Depth buffer for ordering and culling
  - Accumulation buffer for composites
  - Stencil buffer for drawing containment



# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## OpenGL Buffers

- **GL\_AUX**
  - Damage repair
  - State saving
  - Render to texture
- Damage repair
  - Blits saved content back to main context
- State saving
  - Restores previous image



# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## Rendering directly to a texture

- Techniques
  - Draw to an AUX buffer and use **glCopyTexImage()** or **glCopyTexSubImage** commands
    - Easy to implement
    - Still has a pixel copy
  - Use **aglSurfaceTexture()**
    - More complicated
    - No pixel copy
  - ARB\_RENDER\_TEXTURE
    - Not currently supported



# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## Rendering directly to a texture

- Using AUX buffers
  - Specify the AUX buffer you want to use with **glDrawBuffer()**
    - Ex. **glDrawBuffer(GL\_AUX0);**
  - Perform any drawing you want to do
  - Set the read buffer to use the AUX buffer where you performed your drawing
    - Ex. **glReadBuffer(GL\_AUX0);**



# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## Rendering directly to a texture

- Using AUX buffers
  - Use **glCopyTexImage2D()** for the whole buffer or **glCopyTexSubImage2D()** for only part of it to get the data you want to use

```
glCopyTexImage2D(  
    GL_TEXTURE_2D,           // Normal texture  
    0,                       // Single resolution  
    GL_RGBA,                // Internal format  
    0, 0,                   // x, y start point  
    bufferW, bufferH       // width and height  
    0,);                   // No border
```



# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## Rendering directly to a texture

- **aglSurfaceTexture()**

```
void aglSurfaceTexture (  
    AGLContext context,           // Main context  
    GLenum target,              // Texture target  
    GLenum internalformat,      // Internal Fmt  
    AGLContext surfacecontext); // Texture ctx
```



# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## Rendering directly to a texture

- **aglSurfaceTexture()** Methodology
  - Create a p-buffer (offscreen context) to use as your texture
  - Perform drawing operations in the offscreen context
  - Call **aglSurfaceTexture()** using the offscreen context as the surfaceContext parameter



# OpenGL Buffer Ops

## Rendering directly to a texture

- Caveats
  - Jaguar only for **aglSurfaceTexture**
  - AUX buffer solution usable on Mac OS X only
  - AUX buffer solution still requires a pixel copy
  - **aglSurfaceTexture** does not require a pixel copy, but does require another OpenGL context







# Demo

**OpenGL Render to Texture**

# Roadmap

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**500 Graphics and Imaging Overview**

Room A2  
**Tue., 10:30am**

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**503 Exploring the Quartz Composer**

Hall 2  
**Tue., 3:30pm**

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**504 OpenGL:  
Graphics Programmability**

Room A2  
**Tue., 5:00pm**

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**505 OpenGL: Integrated Graphics I**

Room J  
**Wed., 9:00am**



# Roadmap

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**506 OpenGL: Integrated Graphics II**

Room J  
**Wed., 10:30am**

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**509 ColorSync and Digital Media**

Room C  
**Wed., 5:00pm**

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**511 Games Solutions:  
Graphics, Events, and Tidbits**

Room C  
**Thurs., 10:30am**

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**512 Games Solutions:  
NetSprocket and OpenPlay**

Room C  
**Thurs., 2:00pm**

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# Roadmap

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**513 OpenGL: Advanced 3D**

Room J  
**Thurs., 3:30pm**

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**514 OpenGL:  
Performance and Optimization**

Room J  
**Thurs., 5:00pm**

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**516 Graphics and Imaging  
Performance Tuning**

Hall 2  
**Fri., 3:30pm**

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**FF018 Graphics and Imaging:**

Room J1  
**Fri., 5:00pm**



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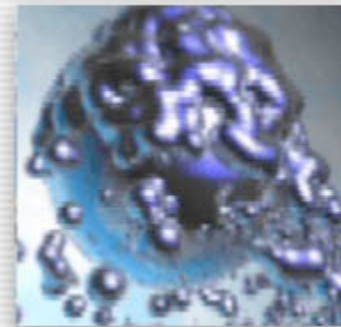
# For More Information

- O'Reilly “Learning Cocoa”
- Cocoa Developer Documentation  
<http://developer.apple.com/techpubs/macosx/macosx.html>
- iServices Technical Training  
<http://www.apple.com/iservices/technicaltraining>
- Other places
  - [www.stepwise.com](http://www.stepwise.com)
  - [www.omnigroup.com](http://www.omnigroup.com)
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